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For: NONWOVEN FABRIC,
HYGROSCOPIC MEMBER, METHOD
AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING
NONWOVEN FABRIC AND ORGANIC
ELECTROLUMINESCENCE DISPLAY

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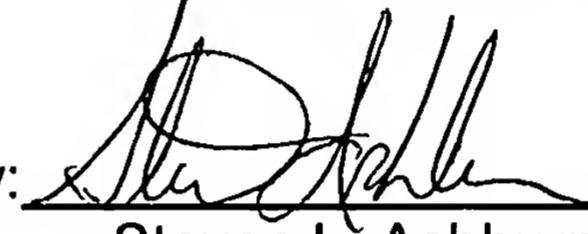
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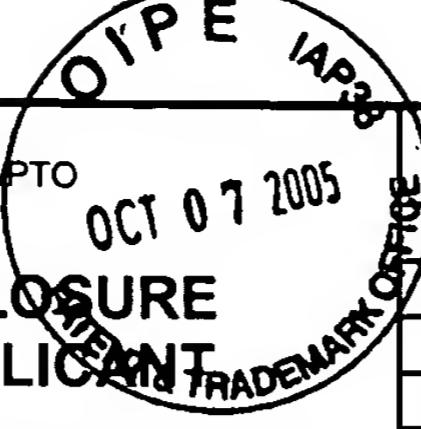
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